## VA MISSION Act of 2018

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### VA PORTLAND HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

# **VA MISSION Act Update**

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### MISSION Act Updates

- Eligibility Review
- TriWest got CCN contract
- Emergency Care Update
- Urgent Care Update
- VA or Community: Informed decision making





# Reminder: Community Care Eligibility

### 1. Access Standards

ACCESS STANDARDS	Primary Care, Mental Health, Non- institutional Extended Care	Specialty Care
Drive Time	30 minutes	60 minutes
Wait Time	20 days	28 days

- 2. Service Unavailable
- 3. Grandfathered from Choice 40





# Community Care Eligibility Continued...

4. Best Medical Interest

5. No full-service VA within your state

6. Quality of care within VA is sub-par (Still in development)







## TriWest Healthcare Alliance

http://www.triwest.com/









#### **Veteran Services**

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Community Care programs and provide access to health care for our nation's Veterans.



#### Provider

TriWest is honored to administer the Information for providers on filing claims and navigating the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Community Care programs.

I'm a Provider »



#### **Behavioral Health**

Find information and tools to recognize signs of stress, depression, PTSD, substance use disorders and more for yourself or a loved one.

Learn more »



#### Join Provider Network

Are you a provider interested in serving our nation's Veterans? Join the more than 1,000,000 provider access points (and growing) who are already in the TriWest network.

Sign up now »



## Community Care: Prior-Authorized Care

- Standardized Episodes of Care (SEOC)
  - List of prior-authorized services that accompanies each referral
  - Specialty specific



- Secondary Authorization Request (SAR)
  - Process for your provider to refer you for other services not already included on initial SEOC
  - Transition to RFS (Request for Service) form
    - Will replace SAR-unknown timeframe



# **Emergency Care**



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 Some of the self-presenting Veterans may have their care preapproved under 38 U.S.C 1703 if they meet certain criteria

• If ER care does not meet eligibility criteria for pre approved ER care VA payment office will review for 1725/1728 eligibility when the claim is received



# Emergency Room Care Update: Eligibility Criteria

- Services covered under medical benefits package
- Enrolled Veteran or exempt from enrollment
- VA must be notified within 72 hours from the beginning of the ER care
- VA and other federal facilities were not feasibly available

- Care must be provided by an innetwork provider
- A prudent layperson reasonably expects that a delay in seeking immediate medical attention would be hazardous to life or death
- Care is provided until the point of stabilization was met, transferred to VA or beds/services unavailable at VA



# Urgent Care Update

### https://vaurgentcarelocator.triwest.com/

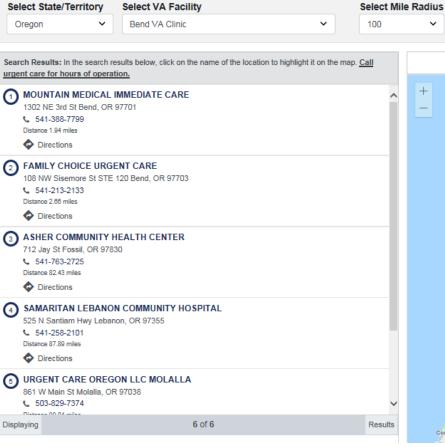
#### In-network facilities:

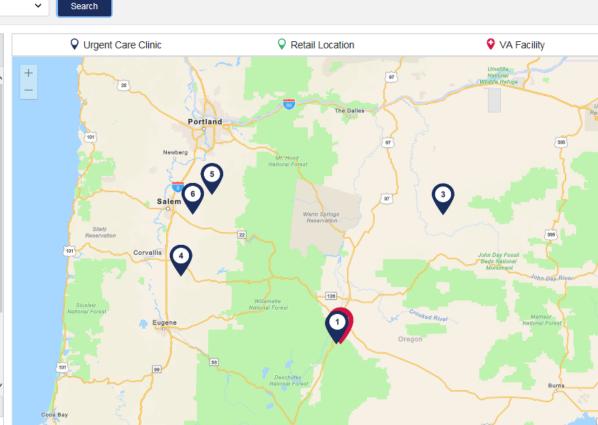
• June 2019: 18

• October 2019: 50

# VA Urgent Care and Retail Locations Find an urgent care and retail location near a specific address or ZIP code, or search by VA Facility. Search by Address Search by VA Facility Search by ZIP Code

To begin, choose your state and VA Facility in the search fields below.







# **Urgent Care: Pharmacy**

- Pharmacy Network is Express Scripts
- Over 100 pharmacies
  - 14 day supply, 7 for opioids
  - No refills
  - No copays should be charged
  - SSN is Member ID
- Express Scripts Helpdesk, 24/7: 1-800-922-1557





# Choose VA or Community?

Overall goal is to help you as the Veteran make an informed decision whether or not to receive care at the VA or in the community







# Helpful Information

Community Care Office: 360-759-1674

1 for Claims or Billing questions

2 for Community Care appointments

3 for VA appointments

4 for Pharmacy questions

5 for Travel questions

6 for Enrollment questions

TriWest: **855-722-2838** 

VA Pharmacy fax: 360-905-1767

https://www.va.gov/





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We are honored to serve you!



